SPORTS

BY BILLY THOMPSON

Raiders Edge Rustburg 58-53

The Appomattox Raiders struggled back in the fourth quarter after falling behind 44-43 to beat the Rustburg Red Devils 58-53 in a Seminole District basketball game last Friday night at Rustburg. The victory gave the Raiders a 2-0 mark overall and 1-0 in the district. Rustburg fell to 1-1 overall and in the district also.

The Red Devils took a 14-13 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Appomattox came back strong in the second quarter to outscore Rustburg 12-8 for a 25-22 lead. Leon Robinson, the big 6-5 senior for Appomattox, hit 10 of the 12 points in that quarter. The two teams fought on even terms in the third quarter as they both scored 18 points and Appomattox still had its three point lead 43-40. The Raiders got eight points from Bobby Layne in the fourth quarter and outscored Rustburg 15-13. Layne hit three of four foul shots in the last 12 seconds of the game to put the game out of reach at that point.

Leon Robinson led the Raiders and all other scorers with 26 points, coming on 16 field goals and six of eight free throws. At one point during the game Robinson hit on eight straight field goal attempts. Layne was next for the Raiders with 16 points, 12 coming in the second half.

Rustburg had three men in double figures as Victor Wood led them with 18. Curt Carlton had 17 and Alton Turner had 12.

The Red Devils pulled down 42 rebounds to 34 rebounds for the Raiders and Appomattox committed 14 turnovers to seven for Rustburg. The Appomattox team hit about 35% from the floor to about 34% for Rustburg. The difference was at the foul line as Appomattox hit on 20 of 27 shots and Rustburg shot only seven and hit on five of them. Rustburg outshot the Raiders 24 to 19 from the floor.

Layne led Appomattox in rebounds with 15 and Robinson hauled down eight.

Rustburg trailing 55-53 with less than a minute to play had two chances to tie the game. At one time they missed a shot and then missed three straight tip-in attempts before Appomattox the rebound. Seconds later the same thing happened as they missed the tip-ins and the Raiders came down with the rebound and this time Layne was fouled with 12 seconds and made two free throws for a 57-53 lead and with four seconds he hit another free throw to clinch it.

Appomattox	13	12	18	15	58
Rustburg	14	8	18	13	53

Appo scoring	G	F	T
Robinson	10	6-8	26
Totty	1	3-4	5
Layne	5	6-9	16
Gafford	1	4-4	6
Waddell	2	1-2	5
Totals	19	20-27	58

Rust scoring	G	F	T
Turner	5	2-2	12
Wood	9	0-0	18
Payne	1	2-2	4
Carlton	8	1-3	17
Pilgrim	1	0-0	2
Totals	24	5-7	53

Christmas Programs Planned

The Mount Shiloh Baptist Sunday School will hold its annual Christmas program this Sunday at 2 p.m. A very fine program has been planned. The Galilee Sunday School will hold its Christmas on Sat., Dec. 23rd, at 7:30. The members of the church and friends are asked to attend.

The general public is invited to attend the annual Candle-Lighting service this Sunday evening at the Galilee Baptist Church at 7 p.m. The program is sponsored by the Galilee Church Choir.

The annual Men's program sponsored by the Promise Land Baptist Church last Sunday evening was a success. The Rev. R. A. McCray and his Mineral Spring Church were the guests. The following program was presented by the local men of the church: Opening selection, guest choir; Invocation, guest minister; Selection, guest choir; Scripture, Deacon William Hancock; Prayer, Deacon Robert Flesh man; Music, guest choir; Welcome address, Deacon Emmette Fleshman; Response, Deacon Irving; Presentation of Speaker, Rev. Lawing. Sermon, Rev. R. A. McCray; Selection, Choir; Offering, Deacons Jasper Thornton, Henry Lee Fleshman, Lloyd Forest, Jr. and Robert G. Fleshman. All who attended enjoyed the entire service.

Impressive services were held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered a special sermon on "Can We Have Peace". Beautiful music was rendered by the Senior Choir. A very large crowd attended.

A large crowd attended the special "Three Way Sermon Program" sponsored by the Rev. J. A. Carter at the St. Joy Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 6 p.m. Music was rendered by the Amherst Amatuer Singers. The following minister took an active part: Reverends J. W. Paige, R. Q. Lawing and W. R. Jones. The program was given for the benefit of the sick and aged members of the church. The proceeds were very good.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Zion Baptist Church of Pamplin held its regular meeting on Dec. 10. The club met in the lovely home of the Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Wiggins in Lynchburg. Mrs. Wiggins was as usual a most gracious hostess. Mrs. Lizzie Mack acted as president. The business session was quite interesting and fruitful. Mrs. Wiggins served the ladies a scrumptious holiday meal. The evening was enjoyed by all.

We are glad to report that Mr. S. D. Womack of Pamplin, is improving steadily. He is grateful to his relatives and friends for all the kindnesses shown him and Mrs. Wormack during his illness.

Don't forget the pre-Christmas dinner sponsored by Long Mountain Lodge No. 204 this Sunday evening at its hall near Concord. Come out and enjoy a delicious meal. Three prizes will be given away to friends holding lucky numbers. The hours are from 1 to 5 p.m.

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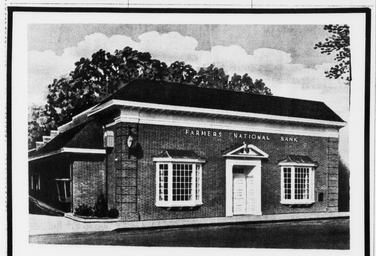

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MRS. CHARLIE H. ROSSER

Mrs. Erna Cyrus Rosser, 66, of 34 Westview Circle, Thomas Terrace, died at 10 p.m. Saturday at her residence. She was the widow of Charlie H. Rosser.

Born in Appomattox County, she was a daughter of James John T. Cyrus. She was a member of New Chapel Baptist Church and the WMU Circle.

She is survived by a son, Charlie W. Rosser of Rustburg; two daughters, Mrs. Curtis Burnette of Rustburg and Mrs. Junior Puckette of Lynchburg; a brother, N. C. Cyrus of Rustburg; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at New Chapel Baptist Church by the Revs. Melvin Winters and Frank Casper. Burial took place in the church cemetery.

Virginia Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

MRS TROY D. DUNN

Mrs. Hallie Roach Dunn, 84, died Saturday in Lynchburg General-Marshall Lodge Hospital after a short illness. She was the widow of Troy Dudley Dunn.

Born in Charlotte County, she was a daughter of Pack Roach and Judy Johnson Roach. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Red House.

She is survived by three sons, Johnny Dunn, Dallas Dunn and Herbert Dunn of Lynchburg; four daughters, Mrs. Russell Martin and Mrs. Robert Bell of Lynchburg, Mrs. William Teets of Spout Spring and Mrs. Carson Dudley of Naville, Calif.; three brothers, Henry Roach, Dallas Roach and Eugene Roach of Phenix, 29 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Whitten Park Avenue Chapel by the Revs. Roy E. Martin and Frank W. Casper. Burial took place in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

SAMUEL H. DICKERSON

Samuel Henry Dickerson, 80, of 1208 Tilden Ave., died at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, at Lynchburg General-Marshall Lodge Hospital after a long illness. He was the husband of Mrs. Mary Martin Dickerson.

Born in Appomattox County, he was a son of Samuel R. Dickerson and Jackie Isabell Moore Dickerson. He was employed by Lynchburg Transit Co. for 30 years. He was a member of College Hill Baptist Church.

In addition to his widow, he is survived by a son, Howard Dick Dickerson of Lynchburg; a daughter, Mrs. R. D. Jordan of Goode; a brother, Willie Alfred Dickerson of Madison Heights; a half brother, Eddie Dickerson of Arizona; a half sister, Mrs. Gordan Ingham of Forest; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at Whitten Park Avenue Chapel by the Rev. Rodney J. Hale. Burial took place in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

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ANNIE CLARA EVANS

Annie Clara Evans, 62, of Appomattox died Sunday, December 10, 1972 at 8:45 a.m. at her home. She was the wife of Mr. Willie Edward Evans.

Born in Buckingham County, she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Buckingham County.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Davis of Baltimore, Maryland, and Mrs. Ann Wright of Appomattox; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Mary D. Jones of Appomattox; two stepsons, Mr. John E. Evans and Mr. Charlie A. Evans also of Appomattox; two sisters, Mrs. Maggie M. Morgan and Mrs. Delores A. Jones both of Appomattox; five brothers, Mr. Charlie A. Jones, of Hinton, West Virginia, Mr. Thomas E. Minnifee, Mr. Roy L. Jones, Mr. James R. Jones, and Mr. Otis J. Jones all of Appomattox; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the Springfield Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Thursday by Rev. J. P. Rose with interment in the Pankey Cemetery. West's Funeral Home in Appomattox in charge.

WILLIAM B. HARRIS

William B. Harris 67, died Saturday in Baltimore, Md.

Born in Spout Spring, Va. July 25, 1905, he was the son of the late Charlie and Mazie Harris.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth Harris, of Baltimore, Md., and one brother, Elizah Harris of Philadelphia, Pa.; 5 sisters, Mrs. Mary Page, Mrs. Ethel Turner, Mrs. Marie Tyler of Spout Spring; Mrs. Isabella Parker of Roanoke, Mrs. Verna Morrison of New York City and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at 4 p.m. Wednesday evening at Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church with burial in the church cemetery. Rev. R. Q. Lawing officiating.

West Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Drive With Care During Holiday Season

Richmond, Va. – When making your Christmas shopping plans, remember to include safe driving practices for the special holiday driving hazards, said John T. Hanna, Director Virginia Highway Safety Division.

In 1971, the 78-hour Christmas weekend saw 13 fatalities on Virginia highways, two of which occurred on Christmas Day.

"Unless drivers and pedestrians exercise more care in watching out for each other and the other guy, the fatality toll this Christmas may be higher," Hanna continued.

Darkness, weather conditions, distracted shoppers and holiday travelers contribute to the Christmas confusion for the pedestrian and the driver alike.

There are more hours of darkness at this time of year, lessening visibility for the pedestrian and the driver. Vision also may be impaired by numerous packages carried by shoppers or piled too high in the car.

Poor walking and driving conditions such as snow or rain demand extra alertness on the part of the pedestrian and the motorist.

"Remember also," Hanna said, "that Christmas means a vacation for school children – children who become so excited they may forget the rules of good pedestrian safety."

Seat belts are one of the most important ways to prevent fatal crashes during this holiday period and throughout the year, Hanna continued. Seat belts not only minimize the chances of the passenger being thrown into the car's windshield, they also aid in helping him keep a proper riding posture and be more alert.

Hanna also warned of wrong way driving on expressways. He stressed the importance of motorists using rest areas for stopping places, not the emergency lane of the highway unless for car trouble.

"A final reminder," the safety official said, "is to obey posted speed limits. Three out of four fatal crashes at Christmas involve speed to fast for conditions or above the posted limit. Alcohol also figures in at least half of all fatal crashes and the percentage rises sharply during the Christmas-New Year period."

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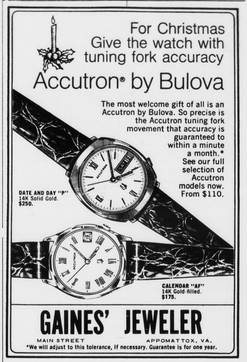

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